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corresponding almost exactly with the rate for the same week of the year 1903.

Of the large German towns and cities, one-fourth showed less favorable health conditions than Berlin. The following places had a considerably higher rate of mortality than this city, viz, Hamburg, Munich, Dresden, Leipzig, Bremen, Hanover, Charlottenburg (17 per thousand), Königsberg, Breslau, Halle, Brunswick, and Stuttgart, as well as London, Paris, and Vienna. The following cities, on the other hand, had lower rates than Berlin, namely: Strassburg, Frankfort-on-the-Main, Düsseldorf, Rixdorf (14.1), and Schöneberg (12.6). Since the preceding week the number of deaths among children in the first year of life showed a considerable increase, the decreased mortality being exclusively confined to the higher age classes. The mortality rate among infants (4 per year and thousand) was, however, lower than the Hamburg and Munich figures. Acute diseases of the respiratory organs showed no important variation, causing 90 deaths (including 18 from influenza). Acute intestinal diseases, on the other hand, showed a decrease, claiming only 32 victims. Four infants succumbed to cholera. Furthermore, there were registered 72 deaths from phthisis pulmonalis, 41 from cancer, 8 from measles, 7 from diphtheria, 5 from scarlet fever, 2 from enteric fever, and, finally, 4 persons died by violence.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

Report of quarantine transactions in the Hawaiian Islands for the month of December, 1904.

Chief Quarantine Officer Cofer reports, January 9, as follows:

PORT OF HONOLULU.

(Incoming quarantine.)

Steam vessels inspected and passed	22
Crew on steam vessels	3,421
Passengers on steam vessels	4,720
Sailing vessels inspected and passed	13
Crew on sailing vessels	179
Passengers on sailing vessels	19

PORT OF HILO, HAWAII.

Steam vessels inspected and passed	1
Crew on steam vessels	37
Passengers on steam vessels	1
Sailing vessels inspected and passed	3
Crew on sailing vessels	43
Passengers on sailing vessels	5

PORT OF MAHUKONA, HAWAII.

Steam vessels inspected and passed	0
Crew on steam vessels	0
Passengers on steam vessels	0
Sailing vessels inspected and passed	2
Crew on sailing vessels	19
Passengers on sailing vessels	0

PORT OF KAHULUI, MAUI.

Steam vessels inspected and passed	0
Crew on steam vessels	0
Passengers on steam vessels	0
Sailing vessels inspected and passed	1
Crew on sailing vessels	10
Passengers on sailing vessels	0

PORT OF LAHAINA, MAUI.

Steam vessels inspected and passed	0
Crew on steam vessels	0
Passengers on steam vessels	0
Sailing vessels inspected and passed	1
Crew on sailing vessels	12
Passengers on sailing vessels	0

PORT OF KIHAI, MAUI.

Steam vessels inspected and passed	0
Crew on steam vessels	0
Passengers on steam vessels	0
Sailing vessels inspected and passed	0
Crew on sailing vessels	0
Passengers on sailing vessels	0

PORT OF KOLOA, KAUAI.

Steam vessels inspected and passed	0
Crew on steam vessels	0
Passengers on steam vessels	0
Sailing vessels inspected and passed	2
Crew on sailing vessels	22
Passengers on sailing vessels	1

INDIA

Report from Calcutta—Bills of health issued.

During the week ended December 24, 1904, bills of health were issued to the steamship *Saint Egbert*, bound to Boston with a total crew of 38; to steamship *Nordkyn*, bound to Philadelphia with a total crew of 25; to steamship *Buceros*, bound to Philadelphia and New York with a total crew of 46, and to steamship *Bechuana*, bound to Boston and New York with a total crew of 48. The usual precautions were taken—holds fumigated, rat guards on wharf lines and lascars' effects disinfected.

ITALY.

Reports from Naples—Vessels inspected—Infectious diseases in Italy—Plague in Egypt and Mozambique—Cholera in Turkey and Russia—Quarantine regulations in Egypt, Turkey, Eritrea, Austria, Spain, and Portugal—Mortality in Berne and Geneva—Contagious disease at Port Arthur.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Eager reports January 2 and 7, 1905, as follows:

During the week ended December 31, 1904, the following ships were inspected at Naples: